WPTF RALEIGH, NC WPTF (AM-680) /WQDR-FM HD3 (94.7-3) /W254AS (98.7) Programs/Issues Report –Third Quarter, 2016

THE ISSUES

CODE ISSUE

THESE ARE THE ISSUES OF CONCERN TO RALEIGH-DURHAMAS ASCERTAINED BY WPTF MANAGEMENT THESE AND OTHER ISSUES ARE ADDRESSED IN RESPONSIVE PROGRAMMING:

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CR	Civil Rights& Activism
EC	Economy/Employment
ED	Education
EN	Environment
GA	Government Affairs
GR	Growth/Transportation/Roads
HSM	Health, Safety and Medical Affairs
IA	International Affairs
NS	National Security
PA	Political Affairs
RE	Religion
SP	Sports/Games/Races
HB2	House Bill 2 ("Bathroom Bill")

REGULAR WPTF PROGRAMS THAT ADDRESS COMMUNITY ISSUES

WPTF'S news and talk format that includes "in-depth" news coverage.

Many of the "news segments" that air each weekday deal with issues of politics, economy, human relations, morality, and other general topics affecting the community and our listeners in the Raleigh-Durham area.WPTF provides 24 hours of informative talk programming each weekday.

1. The Triangle's Morning News (Monday - Friday, 5:00 am - 9:00 am)
A locally-produced morning "all news program," hosted by Patrick Johnson focuses on world, national and local news, plus weather, and traffic and interview segments throughout the show.
The bulk of this weekday program is news, weather, traffic and other information to help listeners get their day started. The program includes updates from CBS Market Watch. There are regular guest appearances by people in the political, tech, business, legal, financial, entertainment and health care fields. Program participants engage in conversation about the headlines of the day. All interviews are between one-minute thirty seconds and three-minutes in length.

- 2. The Bill LuMaye Show (Monday Friday, 9:00 a.m. 12 noon)
 This locally-produced talk show highlights topic and interview segments and listeners' calls, focusing on local, national, and international issues, in addition to newscasts and weather; hosted by Bill LuMaye. Bill has a deep commitment to family, pride in his country and belief in the freedom of expression.
- 3. You Don't Say (Monday-Friday, 9:00-10:00 p.m.)

 Donna and Rick Martinez discuss the issues of the day with a variety of guests including analysts from research groups, reporters covering major news stories and phone calls from listeners.
- 4. Clark Howard (Monday Friday, 1:00 p.m. 3:00 p.m. The nationally produced Clark Howard show is helping millions of Americans through all types of financial trouble. He simplifies complex issues, allays fears, and offers sound advice to help families thrive during financial crisis.
- 5. The Triangle's Afternoon News (Monday Friday, 3:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.) "all news program," hosted by Scott Briggaman focusing on world, national and local news, plus weather, and interview segments throughout the show. The program includes interviews with people in the political, legal, financial, entertainment and health care fields. Program participants engage in conversation about the headlines of the day. All interviews are between one-minute thirty seconds and three-minutes in length.
- 6. Clark Howard (Monday Friday, 7:00 p.m. 8:00 p.m.)
- 7. Bill LuMaye Refill (Monday Friday, 8:00 p.m. 9:00 p.m.)
- 8. The Tom Kearney (Monday Friday 9 p.m. 10 p.m.) Hosted by long timeWPTF staff member Tom Kearney, this show spans a wide gamut of issues including current events, sports and pop culture. Guest experts normally participate in the show and calls are taken from local listeners as well as many others within range of WPTF's 50,000-watt night time signal.
- 9. Dr. Joy Browne (Monday Friday 10:00 p.m. 1:00 a.m.) Nationally syndicated talk radio show focused on helping people deal with different life difficulties.
- 10. Red-Eye Radio (Monday Sunday, 1:00 a.m. 5:00 a.m., Saturday, to 7:00 am) Nationally syndicated, Red-Eye Radio is the country's national clearinghouse of information, thoughts and opinions on numerous issues. Katie Award Winning hosts Eric Harley and Gary McNamara engage their millions of listeners and callers with the major issues of the day including current events, legislation, popular culture, family issues, detailed national weather forecasts, safety tips and interviews with trucking industry leaders.

11.WPTF News: WPTF broadcasts world, national and local news at the top and bottom of every hour 24 hours a day. Newscasts also include sports and weather. Breaking news is broadcast immediately byWPTF's staff of six full-time news anchors/reporters plus the resources of CBS News.

All major news events, such as the State of the Union speech are carried live. Some examples of local news stories during the 1st quarter are listed at the end of this report, along with date, time and issue.

- 12.WPTF Traffic Reports: WPTF broadcasts local traffic weekdays from 5 am to 9 am and 3 pm to 7 pm. Reports are aired at :08, :18, :28, :38, :48 and :58. Each report runs from a full minute in length and are produced locally within WPTF's studios by the Triangle Traffic Network In addition to the weekday programs, WPTF airs numerous weekend programs in the public interest:
- 13. The Triangle's Saturday Morning News Saturday (Saturdays, 6:00 a.m. 7:00 a.m.) A locally-produced morning "news wheel," hosted by Tony Riggsby, focuses on world, national and local news, plus weather and interview segments throughout the show. The bulk of this program is news, weather, traffic and other information help listeners get their Saturday started. All interviews are between one-minute thirty seconds and three-minutes in length.
- 14. Eye on Health (Saturdays, 7:00 a.m. 8:00 a.m.) A locally-produced sponsored program about finding and coordinating care for elderly adults.
- 15. Weekend Gardener: (Saturdays, 8:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.) A locally-produced talk show that has experts fielding listener's calls about plants and gardening.
- 16. Assets Protection Today with Bill Alexander (Saturdays, 11:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m. Beginning August 29, 2015) Attorney Bill Alexander addresses the important issues of retirement and estate based issues.
- 17. The Financial Planning Hour with Rick Parkes (Saturdays, 1:00 p.m. 2:00 p.m.) This locally produced call in program highlights financial expert Rick Parkes, who helps people keep their money and create a plan that will ensure that they do not outlive their money but live a comfortable life in retirement.
- 18. Making Your Home Great: (Saturdays, 2:00 p.m. 3:00 p.m.) A locally produced call in show co-hosted by Joe Wade Formicola and home remodeling experts answering questions about home design, home improvement, renovation and additions.
- 19. Craft Brew Radio: (Saturdays, 3:00 p.m. 4:00 p.m.)
 A locally produced call in show co-hosted by Joe Wade Formicola andMike Cook, Publisher of the Raleigh Beer Guide. Tap into the latest industry news, hot brews, and learn about some of

- 20. The Money Pit Home Improvement Show (Saturdays, 4:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m.) Nationally syndicated and hosted by Leslie Segrete and Tom Kraeutler, Money Pit gives listeners advice and information on making home improvements, and solving home repair and maintenance troubles.
- 21. Into Tomorrow with Dave Graveline (Saturdays, 7:00 p.m. 9:00 p.m.) Nationally syndicated "Into Tomorrow" covers the latest in consumer electronics and technology. The program, hosted by Dave Graveline, is a dynamic blend of listener interaction and insightful and informative guests speaking on a variety of topics related to technology.
- 22. Sunday Morning Music (Sundays, 6:00 a.m. 7:00 a.m.) There's nothing better to start a Sunday Morning than an hour of traditional Sunday morning hymns. Paul Michels hosts.
- 23. Carolina Newsmakers (Sundays, 7:00 a.m. 8:00 a.m.)
 A locally produced, public affairs, programming highlighting local and state newsmakers discussing various topics. Hosted byWPTF owner Don Curtis.
- 24. Sunday Morning Magazine (Sundays, 8:00 a.m. 8:30 a.m.)
 Hosted byWPTF owner Don Curtis, this locally produced program reviews various stories in the news. Don is joined by Jason Kong, and Bryce Wilson who comment on the stories presented.
- 25. Living in the Light with Anne Graham Lotz (Sundays, 8:30 a.m. 9:00 a.m.) Anne Graham Lotz is an American Christian evangelist and the second daughter of evangelist Billy Graham and his wife Ruth Graham. In this weekly 30-minute program, Anne allows listeners to get to know God personally, intimately...as His friend living in the light of HisWord.
- 26. The Financial Planning Hour with Rick Parkes (Sundays, 3:00 p.m. 4:00 p.m. Beginning August 30, 2015) This locally produced call in program highlights financial expert Rick Parkes, who helps people keep their money and create a plan that will ensure that they do not outlive their money but live a comfortable life in retirement.
- 27. Religious Programming: (Sundays, 10:00 a.m. Noon)
 WPTF broadcasts the Sunday morning worship services of Duke Chapel,
 10 am and Edenton Street United Methodist Church and White Memorial Presbyterian Church on alternate Sundays at 11 am.
- 28. Triangle Trader (Sundays, 12:00 noon 3:00 p.m.)
 Host "Trader Dave" Alexander takes calls from listeners, who are allowed to announce items they have for sale.
- 29. The Wine Crush (Sundays, 4:00 p.m. 5:00 p.m.) The Wine Crush is a one hour dynamic, fastpaced lifestyle program that not only explains and demystifies the world of wine, but demonstrates how wine can be integrated with everyday life.

30. Money Matters (Sundays, 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.)

The hosts are Doug and Linda Lewis, certified financial planners, who answer questions about the economy, and personal finance. They deal with issues of 401K and other employer retirement plans, IRAs, Roth IRA's, etc. They discuss the markets, national, regional, and local financial news and the impact a story may have on the economy.

31. 60 Minutes (Sundays, 7:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.)

This nationally known television news show highlights news maker interviews and investigative reports along with celebrity guest interviews and commentary. 60 Minutes is presented live to listeners even when the television version is delayed.

AC Arts & Culture

- 7-26 -- MARY POPPINS Hard to believe, but N-C Theatre's final show of the 2015-2016 season, Mary Poppins, is this week (July 26th-July 31st). Brandon Dickson spoke to one of the cast members, Nicolas Dromard, to get all the details. Aired on various broadcasts throughout the day. 5:00
- 8-17 NEWSIES --They delivered the papers, until they made the headlines...Based on the true story of the newsboy strike of the late 1800's, the Tony award-winning musical NEWSIES is at the DPAC tonight (Tuesday) through Sunday. . Gayle Hurd talks to Aisha de Haas who plays the boys mentor Medda Larkin, about her character and the importance of bringing this history to the stage. Aired various times during the day. 5:00
- 8-25 NC AWARDS -- The state's highest civilian honor, the North Carolina Award, will be presented to seven distinguished North Carolinians Thursday, Sept. 22, at the Raleigh Marriott City Center. We presented an interview with Secretary of Natural and Cultural Resources Susan Kluttz. During September, we also presented interviews with some of the nominees. 5:00

CD Crime/Drugs

- 7-14 BODY CAMERAS -- Attorney General and Democrtatic gubernatorial candidate Roy Cooper argues the state's new law that excludes police body camera footage from the public record goes too far in withholding information from the public. Frank Perry secretary of the North Carolina Department of Public Safety responds on the Triangle's Afternoon News... 4:00
- 8-24 JUVENILE CRIME -- Could next year be the year lawmakers change the law on more 16 and 17 years being treated as adults in all criminal cases? Advocates of the idea say that's likely. Susanna Birdsong, Policy Counsel with the ACLU of North Carolina says only North Carolina and New York still have these policies in place and the Tar Heel State is taking a close look at the issue. 4:40

CR Civil Rights & Activism

7-1 – PATRIOTIC STATE In honor of our nation's birthday on this July 4th, WalletHub has figured out which states are the most and least patriotic. Brandon Dickson ran through the list, including North Carolina's placement, with spokeswoman Jill Gonzalez. First, Brandon had to know what they used to determine how American a state is. The interview aired multiple times during the day. 4:00

EC Economy/Employment/House Bill 2

- 7-1 HB2 BLOWBACK -- Is the blowback from HB2 having much on an impact on economic development in our state? We put that question to John Skavarla, North Carolina State Commerce Secretary. Interview aired multiple times during the day. 4:30
- 7-11 BLUEBERRIES -- North Carolina's blueberry production is projected to be almost 49 million pounds. For more on blueberries in the state, Brandon Dickson spoke with Chris Barnhill- a blueberry grower in Bladen County. Brandon asked him where the Tar Heel state places in the nation for blueberry production. Interview was aired multiple times during the day. 3:00
- 7-25 CAR INSURANCE -- How many miles you drive could impact your car insurance premiums. That is, except in North Carolina. Brandon Dickson spoke with Laura Adams senior analyst with Insurance Quotes-dot-com to get more on the latest report. Aired multiple times during the day 4:00

ED Education

- 7-29 -- EDUCATED CITIES Durham is one of the most educated cities in America, while another North Carolina city is one of the least educated. Brandon Dickson talked with WalletHub spokeswoman Jill Gonzalez to get more. Aired multiple times throughout the day 5:00.
- 8-5 -- MARGARET SPELLINGS -- The 17 campus system of UNC schools is embarking on a long-term plan UNC System President Margaret Spellings says the Board of Governors is engaging in a strategic planning process around the five key themes that, she says, are most important to North Carolinians. Interview aired on NC's Morning and Afternoon News between 3-7 p.m. 4:00
- 8-15 JUNIOR ACHIVEMENT --- It was a record-breaking year for the Junior Achievement of Eastern North Carolina during the 2015-2016 school year. The nonprofit, which empowers young people (primarily in the Triangle) to own their economic success, is hoping the upcoming school year is even better. Brandon Dickson spoke with the organization's executive director, Bebee Lee, to get a recap.
- 9-1 REPORT CARDS North Carolina schools received their annual report card Thursday. The results show there are improvements across the board. Kerri Davis has the details of the scores as well as a look at how local schools are fairing. Aired at 3:10 and 5:10 p.m. 3:00

EN Environment

7-11 ZIKA -- The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention revealed Thursday that more and more pregnant women in the United States are testing positive for the Zika virus. This comes as top U.S. health officials are warning that as many as 50 pregnant women in Puerto Rico are becoming infected with the Zika virus very day. Triangle area US Representative David Price was among those who gathered with researchers and scientists at RTI International in June to discuss our state's role in the research. He was interviews by Scott Briggaman on North Carolina's Afternoon News at 3:20 and 5:20 for 5 minutes each.

8-3 – ZIKA DEVELOPMENTS -- The Food and Drug Adminstration has given approval to a field trial that would release genetically modified Zika-killing mosquitoes in the Florida Keys. Dr. Christopher Ohl, an infectious diseases expert at Wake Forest Baptist Medical Center says there is some risk for the virus in North Carolina but it would isolated. He spoke on NC's Afternoon News at 4:10 and 6:10 for 5 minutes.

8-26 – WOOD EXCHANGE -- Making a better use of trees that are cut down in cities and towns. Tthat's the goal of an Urban Wood Exchange that has been set up by various groups. Steve Troxler, the State's Agriculture Commissioner, explains cities can connect on line with those who may could use the wood so it doesn't go to waste. He says there have been positive results. 3:00 multiple times during the day.

GA Government Affairs

8-16—MILLENNIALS -- As the 2016 election approaches the United States now has more millennials than baby boomers. In North Carolina millennials constituted 59 percent of the more than 350-thousand residents who registered to vote between January 1st and July 30th. Baby Boomers represent 34 percent of the North Carolina electorate with millennials at 29 percent. Ferrel Guillory is the director for the Program on Public Life , professor of the practice at the UNC School of Media and Journalism and Vice Chairman of Education NC. We present our conversation about millennials reconfiguring the public square. Aired various times during the day in 3:00 segments.

GR Growth/Transportation/Roads

7-29 RDU/AIRPORT PARIS -- Though it's been less than 50 days since the Raleigh-Durham International Airport began offering its direct flight to Paris, the reception has been more than what was anticipated. Michael Landguth, President and CEO of Raleigh-Durham Airport Authority, said (on WPTF's "You Don't Say") the data shows the books are doing exceptionally well. Landguth says that if they can get through January and February--a time of the year typically known for a drop in flights to Europe--they will have a long term benefits to grow internationally. Aired during the 9-10 a.m. hour.

8-22 – RAMP METERING -- It's a common sight along traffic clogged freeways in places such as California, but now drivers in North Carolina will see them too. They are called ramp meters, basically traffic signals which control the flow of cars entering the highway from onramps. Steve Abbott at DOT says four westbound ramps on Interstate 540 have been picked to be the first place to test the idea here. Aired 3:10 and 5:40 p.m.

HSM Health, Safety and Medical Affairs

- 7- 26 MARIJUANA POISIOINING -- Since the legalization of marijuana in Colorado, there has been an increase of hospital visits and calls to regional poison centers due to unintentional marijuana exposure among young children. Kerri Davis reports. Report aired on NC's Afternoon News at 3:10 and 5:10 pm.
- 8-2 -- YOUTH SMOKING -- How serious of a problem is youth tobacco use nationally and in the state of North Carolina? For the answer and what's being done to curb youth smoking, Bruce Ferrell spoke with Steve Curl- a North Carolina native who heads the Reynolds American youth tobacco-prevention initiative. Interview aired multiple times during the day.

- 8-4 BABY NEWS -- Not good news for those trying to have a baby in North Carolina. According to a new report by WalletHub, the Tar Heel State is one of the worst in the country. Brandon Dickson chatted with spokeswoman Jill Gonzalez to get the latest. Interview aired multiple times during day.
- 8-12 BLUE CROSS HCA -- Will Blue Cross and Blue Shield participate in the Affordable Care Act in the coming year? The non-profit's President and CEO says he isn't sure...and it could leave thousands of residents without a health insurance option. Report aired multiple times during the day.
- 9-9 ZIKA FUNDING -- Congressman David Price of the Triangle says the time has long past for Congress to do something about emergency funding for the Zika crisis. Price took to the floor of the House (Thursday) pushing the President's \$1.9 billion request for preparedness, response and prevention. He says it should have been resolved before the last recess.
- 9-13 CANCER LOBBY DAY -- More than 500 cancer patients, survivors and volunteers from across the country gathered in Washington, DC to urge Congress to make the fight against cancer a national priority and help defeat a disease that kills 1,600 Americans each day. One of those in the Nation's Capitol is Bob Schechner (SHEK-NER) of Raleigh, the American Cancer Society's Cancer Action Network Lead Ambassador for North Carolina He spoke with Bruce Ferrell]
- 9-16 HOMELESSNESS -- A shortage of affordable housing is affecting thousands of Wake County families. Lauri Para with the Raleigh Rescue Mission says about five thousand people in Wake County, more than half of them children, are feeling the impact of homelessness.

IA International Affairs

- 8-1 LIBYA U.S. military forces have opened a new front against the Islamic State group in northern Libya. The move comes as the fight against ISIS takes center stage in the 2016 campaign. Now that the conventions are over we look at what both sides are saying when it comes to defeating the Islamic State overseas and here at home. David Schanzer is director of the Triangle Center on Terrorism & Homeland security at Duke & UNC Chapel Hill and spoke on NC's Afternoon News.
- 8-12 THAILAND -- It's some of the worst violence to hit Thailand since a military coup two years ago. Attackers using firebombs and homemade explosives struck a series of popular resort cities and beach towns across the country, leaving at least four people dead and dozens wounded. David Schanzer is director of the Triangle Center on terrorism & Homeland security

NS National Security

- 8-4 IRAN MONEY -- Whether or not it was "ransom money" for detained Americans in Iran is open to debate, apparently not all government officials were "on board" with a 400-million dollar payment to Iran.. Plus a Charlotte man is in custody on a federal complaint charging him with conspiring to provide material support to ISIS. David Schanzer is director of Triangle Center on Terrorism & Homeland security Aired on NC Afternoon News at 3:10 and 5:10 pm.
- 8-25 AMERICAN UNIVERSITY -- At least 13 people are dead after an hours-long militant attack on the American University of Afghanistan. The attack ended early Thursday at the campus on the outskirts of Kabul. For more perspective, Bruce Ferrell talked with David Schanzer is director of Triangle Center on Terrorism & Homeland security. Aired on NC Evening News at 3:10 and 5:40 p.m.

9-9 – 9-11 15 YEARS LATER -- In an upcoming op-ed in the N&O on Sunday 15 years after 9/11, Duke University's David Schanzer, director of the Triangle Center on Terrorism & Homeland security notes that our enemies cannot quickly be defeated because the ideology that fuels groups like al Qaeda and ISIS is powerful and compelling to many. So how should we deal with this conflict that came to our shores 15 years ago? Aired on NC Evening News at 4:20 and 6:20 p.m.

PA Political Affairs

- 7-18-7-21 --- Republican National Convention. WPTF provided extensive coverage of the Republican National Convention, which nominated Donald Trump for president and Mike Pence for vice president. Throughout the four days, there were interviews with delegates, as well as reporters on the scene and analysis from political experts to provide an in-depth look at the issues which affected listeners.
- 7-25-7-28 --- Democratic National Convention. WPTF provided extensive coverage of the Democratic National Convention, which nominated Hillary Clinton for president and Tim Kaine for vice president. Throughout the four days, there were interviews with delegates, as well as reporters on the scene and analysis from political experts to provide an in-depth look at the issues which affected listeners.
- 8-8 INDEPENDENT BID -- A new voice has entered into the race for the White House. Kerri Davis has the story on Evan McMullin's bid for President and his chances for winning. Story aired throughout the day.
- 9-13-20-27 DOWN BALLOT DEBATES -- Jointly with the North Carolina Institute of Political Leadership and UNC-TV's North Carolina Channel, WPTF-AM aired a series of debates with candidates for down ballots offices. That included the candidates for Lieutenant Governor (9/13), Attorney General (9/20), and State Treasurer (9/27).

RE Religion

8-5 – NEW CATHERDERAL --- A big announcement from the Bishop of the Raleigh Diocese. Bishop Michael Burbidge announced on Facebook live when the dedication mass will take place for the new cathedral being built in Raleigh. Report aired multiple times during the day.

SP Sports/Games/Races

- 7-4 FUTURE OLYMPIAN -- North Carolina could be home to the next Olympic star. Morrisville's Jordan Windle is a 17-year-old diver with eyes on competing in the 2020 Olympic Games in Tokyo. He has been paired up with a current U-S Olympian, and Brandon Dickson caught up with Jordan to get the latest. Interview aired various times during the day
- 8-2 -- UNC NOTICE -- UNC Chapel Hill will respond to the NCAA's amended notice of allegations on Aug. 1 and post a public copy Aug. 2 on the Carolina Commitment website after a review to protect privacy rights. David Glenn is with ACC sports journal and host of the David Glenn Show. Aired on North Carolina's Afternoon News with Scott Briggaman at 4:20 and 6:20 p.m.

CAROLINA NEWSMAKERS - PUBLIC AFFAIRS SHOW, THIRD QUARTER 2016

"Carolina Newsmakers" is a weekly public affairs show hosted by WPTF owner Don Curtis. It is 60 minutes in length and is broadcast each Sunday morning at 7:00. The guests, topics discussed and the ascertained issued addressed are listed below.

7-3

"INTERVIEW WITH MARGARET SPELLINGS" PRESIDENT OF THE UNIVERSITY NORTH CAROLINA SYSTEM

ASSESSING THE UNC SYSTEM, COST OF EDUCATION, GAP YEAR, NORTH CAROLINA COMMUNITY COLLEGE SYSTEM, RESEARCH UNIVERSITIES, MEDICAL SCHOOLS, RELATIONSHIP WITH BUSINESS COMMUNITY, FUTURE OF THE UNC SYSTEM, TUITION, TECHNOLOGY, COLLEGE ATHLETICS, 2016 LEGISLATIVE SESSION, AND INNOVATION.

ISSUES DISCUSSED: ED, SP

7-10

"INTERVIEW WITH JOHN SKVARLA" SECRETARY OF THE NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

NORTH CAROLINA ECONOMY, TAXATION, SMALL BUSINESS COMMUNITY, AGRICULTURE, BUSINESS INCENTIVES, HIGH-SPEED BROADBAND, CROWD FUNDING, TRANSPORTATION, CONNECT NC BOND, PROJECT PHOENIX, GLOBAL IMPACT OF UNITED KINGDOM VOTE TO EXIT EUROPEAN UNION, GLOBALIZATION, FILM INCENTIVES, 2016 LEGISLATIVE SESSION, NC COMPETES FOR JOBS, AND INNOVATION.

ISSUES DISCUSSED: EC. PA

7-17

"INTERVIEW WITH RANDY WOODSON" CHANCELLOR OF NORTH CAROLINA STATE UNIVERSITY

ROLE OF THE CHANCELLOR, PEER SCHOOLS, RESEARCH UNIVERSITIES, LAND GRANT INSTITUTIONS, COST OF EDUCATION, DISTANCE EDUCATION, INNOVATION, UNIVERSITY SYSTEM, ATHLETICS, CENTENNIAL CAMPUS, HUNT LIBRARY, CONNECT NC BOND, 2016 LEGISLATIVE SESSION, AND TUITION. ISSUES DISCUSSED: ED, SP

7-24

"INTERVIEW WITH NICKY TENNYSON" NORTH CAROLINA SECRETARY OF TRANSPORTATION

POPULATION GROWTH, MILES OF ROAD IN NORTH CAROLINA, BRIDGES, FUNDING, INTERSTATE ROAD SYSTEM, AIRPORTS, RAIL, DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES, PORTS, GLOBAL TRANSPARK, TOLL ROADS, AUTONOMOUS VEHICLES, DRONES, AND 2016 LEGISLATIVE SESSION. ISSUES DISCUSSED: GR, PA

"INTERVIEW WITH CATHERINE TRUITT" NORTH CAROLINA SENIOR EDUCATION POLICY ADVISOR

BACKGROUND, K-12 EDUCATION, POPULATION GROWTH, PRE-K EDUCATION, IMPACT OF GENDER ON LEARNING, COMMUNITY COLLEGE SYSTEM, TEACHER PAY, ADVANCED PLACEMENT COURSES, STUDENT/TEACHER RATIO, CHARTER SCHOOLS, TUITION RATES, TEACHER ATTRITION, AND ATTRACTING TEACHERS.

ISSUES DISCUSSED: ED

8-7

"INTERVIEW WITH DR. MICHAEL WALDEN" WILLIAM NEAL REYNOLDS DISTINGUISHED PROFESSOR OF AGRICULTURAL AND RESOURCE ECONOMICS

ECONOMIC GROWTH, REGIONAL GROWTH, IMPACT OF HOUSE BILL 2, CSX FACILITY IMPACT ON ROCKY MOUNT, GAS PRICES, PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION IMPACT, FEDERAL RESERVE, INTEREST RATES, PRECIOUS METALS, HEALTH CARE SPENDING, SOCIAL SECURITY, TOURISM, AND RETIREES.
ISSUES DISCUSSED: EC, HB2, PA, HSM

8-14

"INTERVIEW WITH BRAD WILSON" PRESIDENT AND CEO OF BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD NORTH CAROLINA

ORIGIN OF BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD, AFFORDABLE CARE ACT, INSURANCE MANDATE, SPECIAL ENROLLMENT PERIOD, PREMIUM GRACE PERIOD, RISK CORRIDOR PROGRAM, PRESCRIPTION DRUGS, MEDICARE, TRANSPARENCY OF HEALTH CARE COSTS, HOSPITAL CARE, PRIMARY CARE, EMERGENCY ROOMS, PHARMACISTS, URGENT CARE, AND FEDERAL EXCHANGES.
ISSUES DISCUSSED: HSM

8-21

"INTERVIEW WITH RICK BRAJER" SECRETARY OF THE NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

DHHS BACKGROUND, OVERCOMING POPULATION DISPARITY, INFANT MORTALITY, MEDICAID AND MEDICARE, HEALTH CARE EXCHANGES, MENTAL HEALTH, BINGE DRINKING, EDUCATING ABOUT MENTAL HEALTH, PREVENTIVE SERVICES, SMOKING, SAFETY OF DRINKING WATER, FLU SHOTS, 2016 LEGISLATIVE SESSION, CHILD WELFARE, AND RURAL DOCTORS. ISSUES DISCUSSED: HSM, PA

"INTERVIEW WITH TOM CAMPBELL" CREATOR, EXECUTIVE PRODUCER, AND MODERATOR OF NC SPIN

PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION, DONALD TRUMP, HILLARY CLINTON, BERNIE SANDERS, LEGISLATIVE REDISTRICTING, MEDIA CONSUMPTION, POLITICAL PARTIES, PRIMARY SYSTEM, POPULATION GROWTH, AFFORDABLE CARE ACT, HOUSE BILL 2, US SENATE RACE ISSUES DISCUSSED: PA, GR, HSM

9-4

"INTERVIEW WITH BRIAN SICKORA" DIRECTOR AND GENERAL MANAGER OF UNC-TV

CORPORATION FOR PUBLIC BROADCASTING, PBS, NPR, UNC-TV STATEWIDE SYSTEM, PUBLIC BROADCASTING, FUNDING, BACKGROUND, EVOLUTION OF PUBLIC BROADCASTING, VIEWING HABITS OF MILENNIALS, VIEWERSHIP DEMOGRAPHICS, PROGRAMMING, EDUCATION, PROMOTION, FUNDRAISING, AND LOCAL PROGRAMMING.
ISSUES DISCUSSED:

9-11

"INTERVIEW WITH JUSTICE PAUL NEWBY AND JUSTICE SAM ERVIN IV" NORTH CAROLINA SUPREME COURT JUSTICES

BACKGROUND ON STATE AND FEDERAL COURTS, ELECTING JUSTICES VS APPOINTMENTS, ASSESSING JUDICIAL CANDIDATES, POPULATION GROWTH, UTILITIES COMMISSION, JUDICIAL SYSTEM, INFLUENCE OF TECHNOLOGY, FREE SPEECH, AND RULE OF LAW. ISSUES DISCUSSED: GR, PA

9-18

"INTERVIEW WITH BRENDA BERG" PRESIDENT AND CEO OF BEST NC

BACKGROUND OF BEST NC, GRADUATION RATE, BIRTH WEIGHT, PRE-K EDUCATION, SUPPORT SYSTEM, PERCEPTION OF TEACHERS, TEACHER PAY, TURNOVER RATE OF TEACHERS, TEACHER RETENTION, EARLY EDUCATION, COMMUNITY COLLEGE SYSTEM, FIRST-GENERATION GRADUATES, TECHNOLOGY, PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT, AND ROLE OF THE PRINCIPAL. ISSUES DISCUSSED: ED

9-25

"INTERVIEW BECKI GRAY" VICE PRESIDENT OF OUTREACH FOR THE JOHN LOCKE FOUNDATION

NORTH CAROLINA HOUSE BILL 2, NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY, PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION, ADVERTISING, VOTING, ECONOMY, EDUCATION, NATIONAL SECURITY, HEALTH CARE, NORTH CAROLINA GOVERNOR'S RACE, COUNCIL OF STATE POSITIONS, JUDICIAL ELECTIONS, NORTH CAROLINA US SENATE SEAT.

ISSUES DISCUSSED: HB2, PA, EC, HSM